GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PERSONNEL,PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS
LOK SABHA

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CBI RAIDS
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Will the Minister of PERSONNEL,PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether CBI has conducted countrywide special anti-corruption raids on officials of several Central Government and Undertakings officials recently as reported in all the newspapers of February, 24, 2002;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the basis on which such raids were conducted; and

(d) the steps the Government propose to take to check corruption amongst such officials?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINIS PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND M OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF ATOMIC ENERGY AND SPACE. (SMT.VASUNDHARA RAJE)

(a)&(b): The Central Bureau of Investigation has conducted countrywide special anti-corruption raids on 22.2.2002 as a part of a nationwide Special Drive against corrupt public servants, economic offenders and others. During the drive 36 cases (23 in Anti Corruption Division, 4 in Economic Offences Wing and 9 in Special Crimes Division of the CBI) involving 112 persons, including Government servants, were registered.

(c): In order to retain its anti-corruption thrust, besides conducting investigation in ordinary course, as a deterrent action, CBI periodically carries out Special Drives for apprehending/detecting corrupt officials at various levels. Raids are a part of the search process and aim at collecting evidence during investigation.

(d): Fight against corruption is a continuous process and the Government is fully committed to root out this evil through various agencies like Central Bureau of Investigation and Central Vigilance Commission. A multi-pronged strategy of prevention, surveillance and deterrent punitive action is being followed by the Government to fight against corruption.